

Senate Resolution 233

By: Senator Harbison of the 15th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Mr. Mack Strong; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Mr. Mack Strong has been honored with an induction into the Chattahoochee
3 Valley Sports Hall of Fame; and

4 WHEREAS, after graduating Brookstone High School, Mr. Strong attended the University
5 of Georgia on a football scholarship, where he awed and amazed his fans and opponents as
6 a running back; and

7 WHEREAS, after completing his college career, Mr. Strong signed with the NFL's Seattle
8 Seahawks as a free agent and went on to play an impressive 15 years at full back before his
9 retirement in 2007; and

10 WHEREAS, during his career, Mr. Strong earned two Pro Bowl appearances and had the
11 amazing opportunity to play in the Super Bowl; and

12 WHEREAS, Mr. Strong has remained active in the football arena since his retirement,
13 hosting weekly sports radio and television shows during the football season; and

14 WHEREAS, this talented athlete is also the focus of a new book entitled *Unsung Heroes:*
15 *The Mack Strong Story* authored by Curt Simmons, which combines Mr. Strong's
16 autobiography with a message that headlines and honors are not the measurements for an
17 important life; and

18 WHEREAS, Mr. Strong and his wife Zoe Higheagle-Strong, a member of the Nez Perce
19 Native American tribe, are active in TEAM-WORKS academy, an after-school tutoring
20 program for Native American students; and

21 WHEREAS, Mr. Strong's outstanding athletic achievements and service to his community
22 are worthy of recognition.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
24 commend Mr. Mack Strong for his years of hard work and perseverance in football, thank
25 him for his selfless dedication to the youth of this nation, and congratulate him on his
26 induction into the Chattahoochee Valley Sports Hall of Fame.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
28 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. Mack Strong.